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Indiana Department of Labor Collaborates with Safety Resources, Inc.

Indianapolis, IN April 18, 2007 – Indiana Commissioner of Labor, Lori Torres has announced that the Indiana Department of Labor (IDOL) and Zionsville-based Safety Resources, Inc. will collaborate with the agency's INSafe (formerly BuSET) Division to provide Residential Roofing Training. Training will be offered beginning mid-May 2007.

INSafe, a Division of the IDOL works with employers, employees, labor unions, trade associations, and other organizations to strive for occupational safety and health management. "Workplace safety is a collaborative effort that the IDOL simply cannot tackle by itself," commented Commissioner Torres. INSafe's free services include: onsite consultation, technical assistance and guidance, publications and educational materials, and group training. "This training is an example of one of the calculated efforts that the IDOL's INSafe has taken to help ensure workplace safety," added Torres. Agreeing with Commissioner Torres, Safety Resources, Inc. Vice President Gary Gagliardi stated, "We feel our responsibility as a member of the safety community is to lend our assistance as we can, and are pleased to support INSafe in these endeavors."

The INSafe/Safety Resources, Inc. offered training will be free of charge and will take place in strategic locations identified by the partnership. One four-hour class will be taught in each of the outlined locations: Evansville, Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, and Terre Haute. Locations were chosen based upon the activity (number of potential individuals affected) by residential roofing. "In 2005 alone, there were 110 'Fall from Roof Events' in Indiana. Of the 110 cases in 2005, 80% of the workers affected were away from work for a month or more and two cases resulted in occupational fatalities," commented Deputy Commissioner—Quality Metrics & Statistics, Elizabeth Friend.

Classes will be taught by consultants from Safety Resources, Inc. and will be four (4) hours in length discussing residential roofing statistics, IOSHA compliance requirements, residential roofing best practices, techniques, equipment, and fall protection—use of and types. All participants will be provided with the training and necessary course materials at no charge.

For more information or to register for the INSafe-Safety Resources, Inc. Residential Roofing Safety Training, please visit the following Website: www.safetyresources.com or phone (317) 871-8155 or Toll Free 1-800-641-5990.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Deputy Commissioner—INSafe, Quin Cheatham at 317.232.2683.

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